A Bit Of Ancient History About The Radabaughs and Buzzards

I have long known in a general way, mainly from talks with my grandmother, Susannah Radabaugh Ewing, that the Radabaughs were from Germany, and first settled in Pennsylvania when they came to America. I also knew that they must have come long before the Revolution. It is a well known historical fact that for fifty years preceding the Revolution there was a steady influx of Germans, transported on English ships, to Pennsylvania. There were so many of them that they made up a large German settlement near Philadeldhia. A large colony of them moved from Pennsylvania down into Virginia, most likely in search of more and better lands and greater freedom.

While I do not yet know the year of the Radabaugh removal to Virginia, I believe it was before the Revolution.

My grandmother related that her father was Henry Radabaugh and her grandfather was Adam Radabaugh; that her mother's maiden name was Catherine Buzzard, and that Catherine's father was Henry Buzzard and her mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Alt. I cannot help thinking that my grandmother took a good deal of interest in her ancestors to find out and remember the facts she so related.

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Today I went to our public libeary and got hold of a book containing lists of names of Germans who came to Pennsylvania during the period 1727 to 1776. I found that most of those who came over during that period were called "Palatines" because they came from the region of the Rhine.

I turned through the book page by page, looking for the names Radabaugh, Buzzard and Alt. Here is what I found:

Hans Jerrz Roadebas came over in 1727.

Peter Raudenbusch came over in 1732.

Johannes Reichenbach came over in 1733.

Heinrich Radabaugh came over September 9, 1738, with passengers numbering 349, from Rotterdam, in the ship Glasgow.

Christian Rodenbach came over in 1739.

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I took down any name that looked a bit like Radabaugh.

In looking for the name "Buzzard" the nearest to it I could find was:

Mattheus, Matheis, Jr, and Christian Bausser came over in 1733.

Felix and Jacob Bossert came over in 1739.

Andreas Bussart came over Sept. 27, 1749, in the ship "Isaac."

I could not find any such name as "Alt," but I found that:

Johann Henrich Ahl came over in 1742.

Johann Ohl came over in 1752.

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